TEACHER INSTRUCTIONAL PRACTICE STANDARDS AND INDICATORS

STANDARD 1 New Learning is Connected to Prior Learning and Experience	STANDARD 2 Learning Tasks have High Cognitive Demand for Diverse Learners	STANDARD 3 Students Engage in Meaning-Making through Discourse and Other Strategies	STANDARD 4 Students Engage in Metacognitive Activity to Increase Understanding of and Responsibility for Their Own Learning	STANDARD 5 Assessment is Integrated into Instruction
Indicator 1 Teacher activates all students' initial understandings of new concepts and skills	Indicator 1 Tasks purposefully employ all students' cognitive abilities and skills	Indicator 1 Teacher provides opportunities for extended, productive discourse between the teacher and student(s) and among students	Indicator 1 Teacher and all students understand what students are learning, why they are learning it, and how they will know if they have learned it	Indicator 1 Teacher plans on-going learning opportunities based on evidence of all students' current learning status
Indicator 2 Teacher makes connections explicit between previous learning and new concepts and skills for all students	Indicator 2 Tasks place appropriate demands on each student	Indicator 2 Teacher provides opportunities for all students to create and interpret multiple representations	Indicator 2 Teacher structures opportunities for self- monitored learning for all students	Indicator 2 Teacher aligns assessment opportunities with learning goals and performance criteria
Indicator 3 Teacher makes clear the purpose and relevance of new learning for all students	Indicator 3 Tasks progressively develop all students' cognitive abilities and skills	Indicator 3 Teacher assists all students to use existing knowledge and prior experience to make connections and recognize relationships	Indicator 3 Teacher supports all students to take actions based on the students' own self-monitoring processes	Indicator 3 Teacher structures opportunities to generate evidence of learning during the lesson of all students
Indicator 4 Teacher provides all students opportunities to build on or challenge initial understandings	Indicator 4 Teacher operates with a deep belief that all children can achieve regardless of race, perceived ability and socioeconomic status	Indicator 4 Teacher structures the classroom environment to enable collaboration, participation, and a positive affective experience for all students		Indicator 4 Teacher adapts actions based on evidence generated in the lesson for all students

STANDARD 1: NEW LEARNING IS CONNECTED TO PRIOR LEARNING AND EXPERIENCE

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Indicator 1 Teacher activates all students' initial understandings of new concepts and skills	Direct evaluator observation One confirmatory item from Confirmatory evidence source	 Lesson plan Teacher pre/post conference Student work 	 Initial understandings can sometimes support or conflict with learning new concepts/ideas If initial understandings are ignored, the understandings that students develop can be very different from what the teacher intends Teacher needs to pay attention to students' incomplete understandings and misconceptions that they bring with them to a given topic
Indicator 2 Teacher makes connections explicit between previous learning and new concepts and skills for all students	Direct evaluator observation One confirmatory item from Confirmatory evidence source	 Lesson plan Teacher pre/post conference Student classroom interviews Student feedback (e.g., survey, writing) 	Students' previous learning includes learning that occurs in and out of school contexts
Indicator 3 Teacher makes clear the purpose and relevance of new learning for all students	 Direct evaluator observation Student classroom interviews 	 Lesson plan Teacher pre/post conference Student feedback (e.g., survey, writing) 	 Relevance of new learning includes connecting new learning to the broader learning goals of the lesson and understanding purpose of learning Students should be answering the question: What is the point?

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Indicator 4 Teacher provides all students opportunities to build on or challenge initial understandings	Direct evaluator observation One confirmatory item from Confirmatory evidence source	 Lesson plan Teacher pre/post conference Student classroom interviews Student feedback (e.g., survey, writing) Student work 	Teacher needs to interpret levels of students' initial understandings in order to move learning forward

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Level 4 Teacher fully activates all students' initial understandings (including misconceptions and incomplete understandings) through the use of multiple methods and/or modes*	Level 4 Teacher makes connections for all students between previously learned and/or new concepts and skills	Level 4 Teacher fully clarifies the purpose and relevance of new learning for all students, including clearly connecting new learning to longer-term learning goals	Level 4 Teacher employs effective and varied strategies, assisting all students in the process of bridging understanding from initial conceptions to targeted learning
Level 3 Teacher adequately activates most students' initial understandings (including misconceptions and incomplete understandings) by using at least two methods and/or two modes	Level 3 Teacher makes adequate connections for most students between previously learned and/or new concepts and skills	Level 3 Teacher adequately clarifies the purpose and relevance of new learning for most students, including sufficiently connecting new learning to longer-term learning goals	Level 3 Teacher employs adequate strategies (using at least two), assisting most students in the process of bridging understanding from initial conceptions to targeted learning
Level 2 Teacher inadequately activates most students' initial understandings	Level 2 Teacher makes inadequate connections for most students	Level 2 Teacher inadequately clarifies the purpose and relevance of new	Level 2 Teacher employs inadequate and unvaried strategies, only minimally

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(including misconceptions and incomplete understandings) using limited methods and/or modes	between previously learned and/or new concepts and skills	learning for most students and/or minimally connects new learning to longer-term learning goals	assisting most students in the process of bridging understanding from initial conceptions to targeted learning
Level 1 Teacher activates no, or almost no students' initial understandings	Level 1 Teacher makes no, or almost no connections between previously learned and/or new concepts and skills for any student	Level 1 Teacher clarifies the purpose and relevance of learning for no, or almost no students and makes no, or almost no connections between new learning and longer-term learning goals	Level 1 Teacher employs no, or almost no strategies to assist any student in the process of bridging understanding from initial conceptions to targeted learning

STANDARD 2: LEARNING TASKS HAVE HIGH COGNITIVE DEMAND FOR DIVERSE LEARNERS

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Indicator 1 Tasks purposefully employ all students' cognitive abilities and skills	Direct evaluator observation One confirmatory item from Confirmatory evidence source	Teacher pre/post conference Student classroom interviews Student work	 All students refers to the diversity found in all classrooms: various levels of learning, working pace, experience, and backgrounds (e.g., language, culture, SES) Cognitive abilities include (but are not limited to) reasoning, planning, solving problems, evaluating, synthesizing, comprehending, and designing Skills refer to the capacity or competence to perform a task; they can range from simple levels (e.g., actions performed as a result of repeated practice) to higher levels (e.g., application of different tasks drawing on understanding and abilities of high order) Cognitive abilities and skills are increasingly content specific as students' learning develops
Indicator 2 Tasks place appropriate demands on each student	 Direct evaluator observation Student classroom interviews 	 Teacher pre/post conference Student work Student feedback (e.g., survey, writing) 	 Tasks require cognitive effort from all students; that is, tasks match students in appropriately challenging ways (e.g., not too easy, not too hard) Tasks should not be "one-size fits all"

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Indicator 3 Tasks progressively develop all students' cognitive abilities and skills	Direct evaluator observation One confirmatory item from Confirmatory evidence source	 Teacher pre/post conference Lesson plans Teacher notes Student work 	 Teacher designs and structures tasks that allow for deep rather than superficial learning Tasks are not discrete but connected to a larger sequence of learning Tasks are connected to overall goals of the lesson, unit, or standard Observers, when observing a lesson, should ask themselves: (1) Are the tasks worth doing? and (2) Are they worth the students' time?
Indicator 4 Teacher operates with a deep belief that all children can achieve regardless of race, perceived ability and socio-economic status.	 Direct evaluator observation One confirmatory item from Confirmatory evidence source 	 Teacher pre/post conference Lesson plans Teacher notes Student work 	 Teacher serves all students well regardless of family background, socio-economic status, or ability. Teacher has an expectation that all children can achieve at high levels, The teacher takes an active role in ensuring that students have equitable opportunities to achieve

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Level 4 Teacher engages all students with relevant and substantive tasks that effectively support deep learning of subject-matter content and processes	Level 4 Teacher provides tasks at the appropriate level of challenge for every student, effectively enabling each student to advance his/her learning of subject-matter content and processes	Level 4 Teacher effectively structures multi- leveled tasks that advance all students' thinking and/or skills in connected steps during the course of a lesson and across multiple lessons	Level 4 Teacher models and demonstrates the highest expectation that all children can learn at high levels regardless of family background, socio-economic status, or ability. The teacher takes an active role in ensuring that students have equitable opportunities to achieve
Level 3 Teacher engages most students with generally relevant and worthwhile tasks that adequately support deep learning of subject-matter content and processes	Level 3 Teacher provides tasks at a generally appropriate level of challenge for most students, largely enabling most students to advance their learning of subject-matter content and processes	Level 3 Teacher adequately structures tasks with more than one level that advance most students' thinking and/or skills in connected steps during the course of a lesson and/or across multiple lessons	Level 3 Teacher models and demonstrates high expectations that all children can learn at high levels regardless of family background, socio-economic status, or ability
Level 2 Teacher engages most students with tasks that inadequately support deep learning of subject-matter content and processes	Level 2 Teacher provides tasks at an appropriate level of challenge for few students, minimally enabling most students to advance their learning of subject-matter content and processes	Level 2 Teacher structures a single task at one level that minimally advance all students' thinking and/or skills during the course of a lesson and/or across multiple lessons	Level 2 Teacher demonstrates minimal expectations that children can learn at high levels regardless of family background, socio-economic status, or ability
Level 1 Teacher does not engage students with any tasks that support deep learning of subject-matter content and processes	Level 1 Teacher provides no, or almost no tasks at an appropriate level of challenge for any students, enabling no, or almost no students to advance their learning of subject-matter content and processes	Level 1 Teacher does not structure leveled tasks that advance any student's thinking and/or skills in connected steps during the course of a lesson and/or across multiple lessons	Level 1 Teacher demonstrates little expectation that children can learn at high levels regardless of family background, socio-economic status, or ability

STANDARD 3: STUDENTS ENGAGE IN MEANING-MAKING THROUGH DISCOURSE AND OTHER STRATEGIES

What Teachers Need to Demonstrate	Mandatory Evidence Sources of Instructional Practice	Confirmatory Evidence Sources of Instructional Practice	Description/Notes
Indicator 1 Teacher provides opportunities for extended, productive discourse between the teacher and student(s) and among students	Direct evaluator observation One confirmatory item from Confirmatory evidence source	 Teacher pre/post conference Teacher notes Audio/visual/print artifact 	 Extended discourse is engaging dialogue that is interactive, externalizes thinking, and focuses on creating meaning making of the learning Discourse involves making argumentations, explaining, critiquing, and using logic and evidence to support or refute a claim Forms of discourse: oral and written
Indicator 2 Teacher provides opportunities for all students to create and interpret multiple representations	Direct evaluator observation One artifact of the representation and/or its creation, interpretation, or use of the representation	 Lesson plan Student work Teacher notes 	 Multiple representations can be of the same or different concepts Representations include models, diagrams, writing, digital and print media, images/visuals, data (e.g., graphs, tables), patterns, concept maps, drawings, videos, simulations Representations are nonverbal ways for students to organize, externalize, extend, and manipulate thinking
Indicator 3 Teacher assists all students to use existing knowledge and prior experience to make connections and recognize relationships	Direct evaluator observation One confirmatory item from Confirmatory evidence source	 Teacher pre/post conference Lesson plan Teacher notes 	 Students have a variety of personal experiences, family and language backgrounds, and knowledge of the world, text variety, and multi-media Teacher helps students use prior knowledge to draw analogies to

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			support understanding of ideas
Indicator 4 Teacher structures the classroom environment to enable collaboration, participation, and a positive affective experience for all students	Direct evaluator observation One confirmatory item from Confirmatory evidence source	 Teacher pre/post conference Teacher notes Student feedback (e.g., survey, writing) 	 The classroom environment directly influences the extent to which students can engage in making meaning and learning and how they view themselves as learners Aspects of classroom environment include classroom culture, norms, routines, expectations, and communication patterns, as well as management of student behaviors, resource provision, and organization of physical space

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Level 4 Teacher provides effective guidance for all students to actively participate in reciprocal and sustained interactions that enable them to articulate their developing understanding in order to deepen and/or consolidate that understanding or to acquire skills	Level 4 Teacher effectively structures opportunities for all students to use varied representations that successfully engage student thinking, and successfully support their understanding of emerging/ developing concepts and/or their acquisition of skills	Level 4 Teacher uses various and effective strategies to help all students see connections and relationships between previous and present learning, furthering their understanding of emerging/developing concepts and/or their acquisition of skills	Level 4 Teacher effectively enacts classroom routines and expectations so that all students value each other's contributions and fully support each other's learning
Level 3 Teacher provides adequate guidance for most students to actively participate in reciprocal and sustained interactions that generally enable them to articulate their developing understanding in order to deepen and/or consolidate that understanding or to acquire skills	Level 3 Teacher adequately structures opportunities for most students to use more than one type of representation that generally engages student thinking, and generally supports their understanding of emerging/developing concepts and/or their acquisition of skills	Level 3 Teacher uses sufficient strategies to help most students see connections and relationships between previous and present learning, generally furthering their understanding of emerging/developing concepts and/or their acquisition of skills	Level 3 Teacher adequately enacts classroom routines and expectations so that most students value each other's contributions and generally support each other's learning
Level 2 Teacher provides some guidance for some or most students to participate, to varying degrees, in limited interactions that somewhat enable them to articulate their developing understanding, only minimally deepening and/or consolidating that understanding or acquiring skills	Level 2 Teacher inadequately structures opportunities for some or most students to use representations; these opportunities only somewhat engage student thinking, and only somewhat support their understanding of emerging/developing concepts and/or their acquisition of skills	Level 2 Teacher uses limited strategies to help some or most students see connections and relationships between previous and present learning, only somewhat furthering their understanding of emerging/developing concepts and/or their acquisition of skills	Level 2 Teacher inadequately enacts classroom routines and expectations so that few students value each other's contributions and/or minimally support each other's learning

Indicator 1 Teacher provides opportunities for extended, productive discourse between the teacher and student(s) and among students	Indicator 2 Teacher provides opportunities for all students to create and interpret multiple representations	Indicator 3 Teacher assists all students to use existing knowledge and prior experience to make connections and recognize relationships	Indicator 4 Teacher structures the classroom environment to enable collaboration, participation, and a positive affective experience for all students
Level 1 Teacher provides no, or almost no guidance for students to participate in any interactions that enable them to articulate their developing understanding; students are not deepening or consolidating their understanding or acquiring skills	Level 1 Teacher structures no, or almost no opportunities for any students to use representations that engage student's thinking, and support their understanding of emerging/developing concepts and/or their acquisition of skills	Level 1 Teacher uses no, almost no strategies to help any student see connections and relationships between previous and present learning to further their understanding of emerging/developing concepts and/or their acquisition of skills	Level 1 Teacher enacts no, or almost no classroom routines and expectations so that no, or almost no students value each other's contributions or support each other's learning

STANDARD 4: STUDENTS ENGAGE IN METACOGNITIVE ACTIVITY TO INCREASE UNDERSTANDING OF AND RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR OWN LEARNING

What Teachers Need to Demonstrate	Mandatory Evidence Sources of Instructional Practice	Confirmatory Evidence Sources of Instructional Practice	Description/Notes
Indicator 1 Teacher and all students understand what students are learning, why they are learning it, and how they will know if they have learned it	 Direct evaluator observation Student classroom interviews 	 Lesson plan Teacher pre/post conference Student feedback (e.g., survey, writing) 	Evaluator will observe teacher communication of learning goals, performance criteria, and purpose in the lesson
Indicator 2 Teacher structures opportunities for self-monitored learning for all students	Direct evaluator observation One confirmatory item from Confirmatory evidence source	 Lesson plan Student work Student classroom interviews Teacher notes Teacher pre/post conference Student feedback (e.g., survey, writing) 	 This indicator focuses on students' abilities to be reflective about their own learning and how a teacher structures opportunities for them to do so Teacher provides instruction to students in self-monitoring strategies Student artifacts include self-reflection tools provided by the teacher and students' notes Students need to be clear about learning goals and performance criteria to engage in self-monitoring Self-monitored student learning is a core 21st century skill

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Indicator 3 Teacher supports all students to take actions based on the students' own self-monitoring processes	 Direct evaluator observation Student classroom interviews 	 Teacher notes Student work Teacher pre/post conference Student feedback (e.g., survey, writing) 	 This is a core 21st century skill Evaluator might observe the teacher: providing time for student strategy use, talking to students about what/why they're doing the lesson, discussing with students what to do next, sharing strategy with class Students' actions may include making margin notes, reorganizing information, conducting investigations, creating representations, or seeking assistance Students revise their learning strategies based on their own evaluation of how their learning is progressing

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Level 4 All students in the class can fully explain: (1) what the intended learning goal of the lesson is, (2) why they are learning it, and (3) what successful performance looks like	Level 4 All students actively engage in reflection on their learning status, which is directly related to learning goals and performance criteria, during well-structured opportunities for reflection in the lesson	Level 4 All students routinely take actions based on their own assessment of their learning status, with the purpose of advancing their learning either independently or with teacher support
Level 3 Most students in the class can generally explain: (1) what the intended learning goal of the lesson is, (2) why they are learning it, and (3) what successful performance looks like OR Most students in the class can fully explain two of the following: (1) what the intended learning goal of the lesson is, (2) why they are learning it, and (3) what successful performance looks like	Level 3 Most students adequately engage in reflection on their learning status, which is generally related to learning goals and performance criteria, during moderately well-structured opportunities for reflection in the lesson	Level 3 Most students frequently take actions based largely on their own assessment of their learning status, with the purpose of advancing their learning either independently or with teacher support
Level 2 Most students in the class can only vaguely explain one or more of the following: (1) what the intended learning goal of the lesson is, (2) why they are learning it, and (3) what successful performance looks like	Level 2 Most students do not engage in adequate reflection on their learning status; this reflection is generally unrelated to learning goals and performance criteria, and there are only limited, and/or poorly structured opportunities for reflection in the lesson	Level 2 Most student actions are infrequently based on their own assessment of their learning status and/or students have few self-assessment opportunities on which to base actions
Level 1 No, or almost no students can explain: (1) what the intended learning goal of the lesson is, (2) why they are learning it, and (3) what successful performance looks like	Level 1 No, or almost no students engage in reflection on their learning status and there are no, or almost no opportunities for reflection in the lesson	Level 1 No, or almost no students take actions based on their own assessment of their learning status and/or students have no self assessments on which to base actions

STANDARD 5: ASSESSMENT IS INTEGRATED INTO INSTRUCTION

What Teachers Need to Demonstrate	Mandatory Evidence Sources of Instructional Practice	Confirmatory Evidence Sources of Instructional Practice	Description/Notes
Indicator 1 Teacher plans on-going learning opportunities based on evidence of all students' current learning status	Teacher pre/post conference One confirmatory item from Confirmatory evidence source	 Lesson plan Prior student work/assessment informing planned learning opportunities Teacher notes Student classroom interviews 	 "Evidence" of student learning status refers to what students say, do, make, or write (Griffin, 2007) that indicates what they know and are able to do (Note: evidence types and sources will differ depending on specific content area) There may be several different learning opportunities to account for differences in students' learning status or one open-ended task with multiple entry points (see Standard 2)
Indicator 2 Teacher aligns assessment opportunities with learning goals and performance criteria	 Direct evaluator observation Teacher pre/post conference 	 Lesson plan Student work Student classroom interviews 	 Learning goals specify what students are to learn in the lesson (e.g. concepts, skills, Standards, not the activity) Performance criteria indicate the successful accomplishment of the learning goal Teacher should use different types of assessment strategies to account for learner differences
Indicator 3 Teacher structures opportunities to generate evidence of learning during the lesson of all students	 Direct evaluator observation Teacher pre/post conference 	 Lesson plan Teacher notes Student classroom interviews Audio/visual/print artifact 	 While evidence generation needs to be planned, evidence can also arise spontaneously Opportunities for evidence generation can include: instructional tasks, teacher-led discussions, peer-to-peer

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			discussions, one-on-one conferencing Teacher should structure multiple opportunities to generate evidence and not rely on one source
Indicator 4 Teacher adapts actions based on evidence generated in the lesson for all students	 Direct evaluator observation Teacher pre/post conference 	 Lesson plan Teacher notes Written feedback on student work Student classroom interviews 	Actions based on evidence can include: continuation of planned lesson, instructional adjustments, provision of feedback to students, subsequent lesson planning

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PERFORMANCE LEVELS

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Level 4 Teacher consistently plans on-going learning opportunities based on substantial, current evidence of all students' learning status	Level 4 Teacher fully aligns assessment opportunities with clearly specified learning goals and performance criteria to provide quality evidence of all students' learning status	Level 4 Teacher structures multiple and varied opportunities to generate evidence of all students' learning during the lesson	Level 4 Teacher effectively adapts her/his actions for all students in response to evidence presented and/or generated in the lesson
Level 3 Teacher frequently plans on-going learning opportunities based on adequate evidence of most students' learning status	Level 3 Teacher adequately aligns assessment opportunities with specified learning goals and performance criteria to provide adequate evidence of most students' learning status	Level 3 Teacher structures adequate (e.g., several or varied) opportunities to generate evidence of most students' learning during the lesson	Level 3 Teacher adequately adapts her/his actions for most students in response to evidence presented and/or generated in the lesson
Level 2 Teacher sometimes plans on-going learning opportunities based on evidence of some students' learning status; the evidence used is frequently outdated and/or limited	Level 2 Teacher inadequately aligns assessment opportunities with learning goals and performance criteria; the learning goals and performance criteria are insufficiently specified to provide adequate evidence of most students' learning status	Level 2 Teacher structures limited opportunities to generate evidence of most students' learning during the lesson	Level 2 Teacher inadequately adapts her/his actions for most students in response to evidence presented and/or generated in the lesson
Level 1 Teacher plans no, or almost no ongoing learning opportunities based on any evidence of students' learning status	Level 1 Teacher aligns no, or almost no assessment opportunities with any learning goals and performance criteria	Level 1 Teacher structures no, or almost no opportunities to generate evidence of any student's learning during the lesson	Level 1 Teacher continues with planned lesson regardless of any evidence presented and/or generated in the lesson

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Four-Point Rating Scale

- **Level 4.** The teacher is a highly effective practitioner within the classroom, successfully engaging all students through varied activities and structure that result in active participation and interest from students and evidence of significant student learning. The teacher regularly participates in the school community, demonstrates effective involvement in professional responsibilities, collaborates with most or all stakeholders, and facilitates professional learning and growth among colleagues.
- **Level 3**. The teacher is generally an effective practitioner within the classroom, adequately creating activities and structure that result in active participation and interest from most students and evidence of student learning. The teacher participates in the school community, demonstrates adequate involvement in professional responsibilities, and collaborates with various stakeholders as required.
- **Level 2.** The teacher is a somewhat ineffective practitioner within the classroom, creating activities and structure that result in limited participation and interest from many students and limited evidence of learning. The teacher minimally participates in the school community, performs minimal professional responsibilities, and collaborates with few stakeholders.
- **Level 1**. The teacher is a mostly ineffective practitioner within the classroom, creating activities and structure that result in almost no participation and interest from most students and almost no evidence of learning. The teacher does not participate in the school community, performs no professional responsibilities, and does not collaborate with stakeholders.